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SUBJECT: MALAYSIAN CANDIDATE TO EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNESCO

¶1. Embassy has received a diplomatic note, number KLN. 08/07, from the Malaysian Ministry of Foreign Affairs informing us that Malaysia has decided to present the candidature of Hishammuddin Tun Hussein, the Minister of Education, to the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) for the term 2008-2011, at the elections to be held during the 34th Session of the General Conference of UNESCO in October 2007. The note states that Malaysia would value U.S. support for Hishammuddin's candidature.

¶2. Minister Hishammuddin raised the issue of his pending UNESCO candidature with the Ambassador during their January 29 meeting.

¶3. Copies of the received documents have been faxed to EAP. LAFLEUR